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A FUSION POLYPEPTIDE COMPRISING A HISTIDINE

PORTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with Rule 115 of the Rules of Practice, 37 C.F.R. § 1.115, please consider and enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the Claims as follows:

- 1. (amended) An antibody against a fusion polypeptide comprising a histidine portion, wherein [the] said antibody is directed against [the] said histidine portion, and [the latter] wherein said histidine portion comprises 6-18 histidine residues.
- 2. (amended) The antibody [according to] of claim 1, [characterized in that it] wherein said antibody is a polyclonal antibody.